

June 13, 2011

Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554



Re: WT Docket 11-65

Dear Chairman and Commissioners of the Federal Communications Commission,

The Sevier County Economic Development Council is focused on recruiting new businesses to Sevier County, Tennessee. We are constantly describing our current and planned infrastructure that is available in our area to new prospects. Being able to talk about the development of Mobile Broadband that could be available to us with the pending AT&T and T-Mobile merger could help us attract even more new businesses to our state and region.

The economic impact of this new technology is so important to our community. Rural counties like Sevier are at a disadvantage without access to these types of technologies, and we look forward to having this available in our community. The promise of increased revenue leads to more jobs, investment and economic growth.

Sevier County, being an area highly reliant on the tourism industry, would also benefit from having this technology available to those who come and visit our beautiful part of the county. I ask you to support the merger between AT&T and T-Mobile which will help Sevier County prosper.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Allen Newton".

Allen Newton, Executive Director
Sevier County Economic Development Council

CC:

Chairman Julius Genachowski
Commissioner Michael J. Copps
Commissioner Robert M. McDowell
Commissioner Meredith Attwell Baker
Commissioner Mignon Clyburn

100 E. MAIN ST., BB&T BLDG. ■ P.O. BOX 4066 ■ SEVIERVILLE, TENNESSEE 37864-4066
(800) 874-9422 ■ (865) 428-2212 ■ FAX (865) 453-2312 ■ www.scedc.com